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Re: Patent Application of Brad A. Armstrong

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Dear Sir:  
REMARKS

Included herewith is another Information Disclosure Statement. Since this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the first Office Action on the merits of the instant application, no fee is required.

Listed in the attached Information Disclosure Statement are two Japanese documents. I have been given these Japanese documents by a third party, and I cannot attest to the validity of these documents, their dates, or the English translations which I have included for Patent Office consideration. Even though I cannot attest to the validity of these documents, I believe the present invention as claimed is clearly patentable over these documents if they are "in fact" as presented to me. Please examine the present claims as if these two Japanese documents are valid disclosures.

The first of the two Japanese documents is titled SWITCH DEVICE, having a publication date of 1995-11-14, Assigned to Sega